

# Larkins Named NP's Man-of-Year

Wilmington, N. C.—Dr. R. Irving Boone, editor-publisher of the quarterly magazine, "Negro Progress," announces in the current issue the selection of Dr. John Rodman Larkins of Raleigh as NP's "Man of the Year."

A native of Wilmington, Dr. Larkins currently serves in Raleigh as consultant in the work among Negroes for the State Department of Public Welfare.

The Business and Professional Men's Club of Wilmington awarded Dr. Larkins a certificate of merit for public service in January, 1957.

He received the A.B. degree at Shaw University, the M.S.W. from Atlanta University School of Social Work, and the honorary doctor of laws from North Carolina Agricultural and Technical College of Greensboro.

Dr. Larkins, who has written six important publications about the socio-economic life among North Carolina Negroes, has done advanced study at the University of Chicago's School of Social Service

Administration (1947-48) and at the New York School of Social Work, Columbia University (1953-54), where he matriculated for the doctorate degree.

Dr. Larkins, who is in frequent demand as speaker and lecturer, serves on four state and regional committees which affect a wide cross section of the people in the Southern region.

North Carolina newspapers have enthusiastically praised Dr. Larkins's publications. Among these are: **The Negro Population of North Carolina, Social and Economic** (1944), **The Adjustment of Negro Boys Discharged from Morrison Training School** (1947), **The Employment of Negroes in Public Welfare in Eleven Southern States** (1951), **The Contributions of Sociology to Social Work** (1951), **A Study of Negro Parolees** (1954), and **The Negro in North Carolina** (1945 to 1955).

Dr. Larkins's study at the University of Chicago was sponsored by the General Education Board.

At the New York School of Social Work, he studied under a grant from the National Mental Health Fellowship Act.

He is secretary of the Advisory Board of the North Carolina Board of Correction and Training, vice president of the North Carolina Council on Human Relations, a member of the Board of Directors of the Southern Regional Council, and a member of the Advisory Committee of Thirty of the North Carolina Recreation Commission.

Dr. Larkins, who serves intermittently as lecturer in sociology at Shaw University, holds membership in these organizations: Southern Sociological Society, American Public Welfare Association, North Carolina Conference of Social Service, American Association of Social Workers, American Sociological Society, Alpha Kappa Delta—Honorary Sociological Fraternity, and Omega Psi Phi Fraternity.

## Larkins Receives Honor Citation

"John Rodman Larkins, Consultant, Work Among Negroes, North Carolina State Department of Public Welfare, Native of Wilmington, N. C., where early in life he caught the broad vision of the open sea, graduate of Shaw University and of Atlanta University School of Social Work, with advanced study at Chicago and Columbia University."

"In recognition and appreciation of the distinguished service you are thus rendering to the State and all of its people, I am happy to admit you to the HONORARY DEGREE OF DOCTOR OF LAWS in this college, and confer upon you all rights and privileges belonging thereto. In token whereof, I hand you this Diploma bearing the Seal of the College and the inscriptions of its proper officers."

(Citation read by Dr. W. T. Gibbs, President, Agricultural and Technical College, June 2, 1958.)

## Statesville Woman In Council Race

A Negro woman, Mrs. M. H. Horrington, this morning became the first of her race ever to announce for a seat on Statesville's city council.

She filed with elections officials at midmorning for the Democratic primary scheduled here March 28.

A statement issued soon after her announcement was directed particularly to the Negro vote in a race that will pit her against incumbent A. L. Mills, Jr., from Ward Three.

"With more than 10,000 Negroes in the city and county we should have some representation," said Mrs. Horrington, who lives at 651 West Sharpe Street.

"But I am interested in serving all the people," she added.

The announcement by Mrs. Horrington brought to 10 the number of persons—including incumbents—who have said they will seek nominations in the upcoming primary.

Incumbents include councilmen Mills, Glenn Watts, J. C. McNeely, Clarence Steele, P. W. Shell and Paul Lingle. Mayor J. Garner Bagnal, with support pledged to his entire council, is also seeking reelection.

Two other council aspirants — James E. Creedmore and Roy D. Cashion — announced against incumbents Steele and McNeely last Wednesday.

Mrs. Horrington, latest addition to the political scene here, is a housewife and former teacher at Negro schools in this area. She has been retired from teaching for 28 years.

Active in Negro women's work

cross the state, she has been president of the Negro Women's Federation, a service organization, and is now state secretary of the American Legion's Negro Auxiliary.

She is a member and past president of American Legion Auxiliary 217 of Statesville. She also has been active in A.M.E. Zion Church here.

Although others have publicly announced their candidacy for the primary, Mrs. Horrington thus far is the only council aspirant to file with election officials.

The deadline for filing is March 14 and the primary will be held two weeks later.

## Mrs. Pridgen Assembly Speaker

FAYETTEVILLE — Mrs. Annie Wynn Pridgen, vice president of the General Alumni Association of Fayetteville State Teachers College was assembly speaker Monday, January 5.

Mrs. Pridgen gave an account of her recent trip to 8 countries of Europe, and graphically described the interesting sights and customs observed on the trip. She also listed many of the spectacular exhibits of the Brussels World Fair which she also visited.

Mrs. Pridgen is a life member of the National Education Association, and Corresponding Secretary of the Southeastern District of the North Carolina Teachers Association.

Prior to assuming the supervisor-

## Miss Holmes Given Plaque

Miss Mae D. Holmes, superintendent of State Training School for Negro Girls is vice president of the National Association for Training Schools and Juvenile Agencies. This is a national organization for training schools and related activities and they meet annually with the National Welfare Forum. The president of the association in the Chicago meeting of last year presented Miss Holmes with a beautiful plaque in recognition of outstanding services rendered in office. This year the meeting will convene in San Francisco, California, in late May.

On January 18, 1959, the Rocky Mount Alumni Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta surprised Miss Holmes with a beautiful plaque for "outstanding work in the rehabilitation of youth."

The Journal offers congratulations on both counts. Our wishes for her are, "may she live long to serve this country."

ship of Hoke County 16 years ago, she taught in Wayne, Duplin and Columbus counties. She received her education at Fayetteville State Teachers College, and the master of arts degree from New York University.

## Religious Emphasis

### What Is True Religion?

In the home it is kindness.  
In business it is honesty.  
In society it is courtesy.  
In work it is thoroughness.  
In play it is fairness.  
Toward the fortunate it is congratulations.  
Toward the weak it is help.  
Toward wickedness it is resistance.  
Toward the penitent it is forgiveness.  
Toward God it is reverence, love, obedience.

—Anonymous

### MONEY WILL BUY

A bed but not sleep.  
Books but not brains.  
Food but not appetite.  
Finery but not beauty.  
A house but not a home.  
Medicine but not health.  
Luxuries but not culture.  
Amusements but not happiness.  
A crucifix but not a Saviour.  
A church but not a haven.  
But what you cannot buy you can receive as a gift.  
"For the wages of sin is death but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord."

Romans 6:23